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\$218,203 Raised for Local Schools in Response to \$25,000 Match from Kilroy Realty

*Funds raised will support arts classes, instructional aides and
other staff and programs at Santa Monica public schools*

Santa Monica, Calif., September 11, 2020 – Funding for Santa Monica public schools received a boost from 309 people who contributed during the Santa Monica Education Foundation's back-to-school match. The donors contributed \$218,203 in response to a \$25,000 match from Kilroy Realty, for a combined total of \$243,203 raised during a one-week donation drive, which ran from September 2 to 9.

The donations will fund staff and programs during the school day at all 12 public schools in Santa Monica. In the current distance-learning model, programs funded by donations are being delivered online. Arts programs will take place this fall online. Instructional aides funded by donations are helping students in online breakout rooms. Donations are also funding stretch grants at each school. Because each campus decides how to spend their stretch grant, these funds are a flexible source of income as each school responds to changing needs during distance learning.

"Thank you to each donor who has contributed this school year and to Kilroy Realty for their inspiring matching gift!" said Linda Greenberg, Executive Director of the Ed Foundation. "Unfortunately, our fundraising at the start of school this year is lower than it is in a typical year, as would be expected. However, the wonderful results of this match show our community's continued dedication to public education. Even during difficult times, our donors have come together to help ensure that Santa Monica students experience an enriched education. I encourage everyone who is able to donate to give. Our students very much need your support."

Kilroy Realty has supported students as an Ed Foundation Corporate Hero for three years.

"Kilroy Realty Corporation proudly supports the Santa Monica Education Foundation and we are thrilled by the response to this match," said Philip Tate, Senior Vice President, Development and Government Affairs. "Our employees live, work and send their kids to public schools in

Santa Monica and so we recognize and want to support the critical need for enriching staff and programs in Santa Monica schools. We are grateful to everyone who contributed during the match and thank them for joining us in this important effort for our local students.”

The matching campaign also included a one-day \$2,500 Flash Match from Santa Monica Music Center on September 8. Owned and operated by a SMMUSD family, Santa Monica Music Center, a local business that provides group and private lessons as well as instrument purchases, repairs, and rentals, has supported the Ed Foundation for many years.

For more information or to make a donation to support Santa Monica students, go to smedfoundation.org.

About Kilroy Realty Corporation

Kilroy Realty Corporation (NYSE: KRC) is a leading West Coast landlord and developer, with a major presence in San Diego, Greater Los Angeles, the San Francisco Bay Area, and the Pacific Northwest. The company has earned global recognition for sustainability, building operations, innovation and design. As pioneers and innovators in the creation of a more sustainable real estate industry, the company’s approach to modern business environments helps drive creativity, productivity and employee retention for some of the world’s leading technology, entertainment, life science and business services companies.

KRC is listed on the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index and has been recognized by industry organizations around the world. KRC’s stabilized portfolio was 66% LEED certified and 43% Fitwel certified as of June 30, 2020. The company has been recognized byGRESB, the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark, as the sustainability leader in the Americas for six consecutive years. Other honors have included the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trust’s (NAREIT) Leader in the Light award for six consecutive years and ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year for seven years as well as ENERGY STAR’s highest honor of Sustained Excellence, for the past five years. A big part of the company’s foundation is its commitment to enhancing employee growth, satisfaction and wellness while maintaining a diverse and thriving culture. The company was named to Bloomberg’s 2020 Gender Equality Index—recognizing companies committed to supporting gender equality through policy development, representation, and transparency. More information is available at <http://www.kilroyrealty.com>.

About the Santa Monica Education Foundation

Contributions to the Santa Monica Education Foundation fund excellent programs at every Santa Monica public school – from arts to STEM to wellness – that shape our future problem solvers, visionaries, and global citizens.

Established in 1982 by a dedicated group of parents, community leaders, and local business owners, the Ed Foundation raises funds to enhance and supplement the curriculum of the Santa Monica schools. The Foundation’s mission is to engage the community to invest in a vibrant educational experience for all public school students in Santa Monica.

To learn more about the Ed Foundation, visit <http://smedfoundation.org>.

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